

CLERK OF COUNCIL  
CITY OF ATLANTA

A RESOLUTION BY:

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CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO EXECUTE A DELEGATION AGREEMENT FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SEWER SYSTEM EXTENSIONS WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF GEORGIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta operates and maintains a wastewater collection and transmission system that includes combined and separate sanitary sewers that span approximately 2100 miles in length; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to expand or extend Atlanta's wastewater collection and transmission system from time to time to provide adequate service to system users, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rules and Regulations of the Department of Natural Resources, State of Georgia, for Water Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-6, Paragraph .02 the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) can delegate the review and approval of certain types of sewer system extensions to local governments that have demonstrated the capability for such review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works has determined it is in the best interest of the City of Atlanta to enter into a delegation agreement with the State of Georgia for the review and approval of sewer system extensions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, as follows:

Section One: That the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City, is authorized to execute a Delegation Agreement for the Review and Approval of Sewer System Extensions with the State of Georgia, Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division (EPD).

## **DELEGATION AGREEMENT FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SEWER SYSTEM EXTENSIONS**

### **1.0 PURPOSE**

Pursuant to Rules and Regulations for Water Quality Control Chapter 391-3-6 paragraph .02, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) can delegate the review and approval of certain types of sewer system extensions to local governments that have demonstrated the capability for such review and approval. This delegation of responsibilities to local governments means the local governments are authorized by the Division to review and approve the sewer extensions for construction. Sewer systems include: new systems, extensions to new areas and replacement sanitary sewers. Types of sewer systems are limited to: gravity sewers, force mains and pumping stations.

The Division hereby delegates the review and approval of all sewer systems within and tributary to City of Atlanta, Department of Public Works with the following exclusions:

- . Sewers within 2000 feet of the Chattahoochee River.
- . Sewers greater than 120 inches in diameter.
- . Pump stations with capacity of 700 gallons per minute and greater.

### **2.0 PROCEDURES**

In order to fulfill the terms of this agreement, City of Atlanta hereby agrees to enact procedures which will accomplish the following:

- 2.1 Determine that the water pollution control plant (WPCP) to which the proposed sewer extensions will be tributary is capable of accepting the project wastewater for treatment.
- 2.2 Determine that the submain, principal sewer and interceptor to which the proposed sewers are tributary is capable of transporting the project wastewater to the WPCP for treatment.
- 2.3 Determine that the sewers are not constructed on or serving structures constructed or proposed to be constructed on solid waste landfills.
- 2.4 Determine that the proposed sewers have been designed by registered professionals in accordance with acceptable provisions of recognized design references in general use. References include: WEF Manuals(s) of Practice, ASCE Manuals and Reports on Engineering Practice, Recommended Standards for Sewage Works, latest Edition, Great

Lakes Upper Mississippi River Board of State Sanitary Engineers (10-State Standards), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Publications, WEF Journals and other technical publications widely recognized in establishing design standards.

- 2.5 Review and approve completed plans and specifications for technical adequacy and conformance to applicable requirements and determine that they are suitable for bid and construction purposes. Plans and specifications must be prepared by registered professionals in accordance with Code Section 4-3-15-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated relating to the regulation and certification of professional engineers and land surveyors and in accordance with Georgia Rules and Regulations for Water Quality Control 391-3-6-.02. Construction specifications must be approved by the EPD prior to adopting as City's Standard Construction Specifications.
- 2.6 Ensure the reviews are performed under the supervision of a professional engineer registered in the State of Georgia.
- 2.7 Conduct construction inspections during construction to ensure that the construction is done in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and the Erosion and Sedimentation Act 12-7-1 et. seq. and all other related Acts and ordinances.
- 2.8 Ensure the construction inspections are performed under the supervision of a professional engineer registered in the State of Georgia.
- 2.9 Determine that the construction is done in accordance with approved plans and specifications prior to project acceptance.
- 2.10 Own and maintain the sewer system after project acceptance.
- 2.11 Maintain in a responsible manner, records and documentation of approved projects for EPD's overview.
- 2.12 Maintain an up-to-date set of sewer maps.
- 2.13 In addition, the requirements for the protection of Metropolitan Rivers, Section 12-5-440 through 12-5-457 apply. This is part of the official code of Georgia, Volume 10 Title 12 (Conservation and Natural Resources).

### 3.0 OVERVIEW

In order to ensure compliance with this agreement, City agrees to cooperate with the EPD in a joint overview effort to be conducted at annual intervals.

**4.0 DISSOLUTION OF AGREEMENT**

This agreement may be canceled without prior notice by the action of either party giving written notice of intent to cancel.

For the Georgia Environmental Protection Division

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Harold F. Reheis, P.E.  
Director

For City of Atlanta

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

To: Gregory Pridgeon, Mayor's Office

From: Department of Public Works

Contact (Name): John Griffin

Commissioner's Signature:

*Sammy P. Reed*

Director's Signature:

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Committee(s) of Purview: C.U.C.

Committee Deadline:

Committee Meeting Date(s): 10/10/00

City Council Meeting Date: 10/16/00

**CAPTION:** A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO EXECUTE A DELEGATION AGREEMENT FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SEWER SYSTEM EXTENSIONS WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF GEORGIA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**BACKGROUND/PURPOSE/DISCUSSION:** Pursuant to the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Natural Resources, State of Georgia, for Water Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-6, Paragraph .02 the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) can delegate the review and approval of certain types of sewer system extensions to local governments that have demonstrated the capability for such review and approval. The City wishes to enter an agreement with the Environmental Protection Division to accept this authority.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any):** NA

Mayor's Staff Only

Received by Mayor's Office

*10/9/00*  
(Date)

Reviewed by:

*JS*  
(Initials)

(Date)

Submitted to Council

(Date)

Action by Committee:

Approved

Adversed

Held

Amended

Substitute

Referred

Other